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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
David P. WIECZOREK et al.,)
Application No.: 09/482,060) Group Art Unit: 3752
Filed: January 13, 2000) Examiner: Kim, C.
For: FUEL INJECTOR TEMPERATURE)
STABILIZING ARRANGEMENT AND)
METHOD)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111 TRANSMITTAL FORM

1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Request for Reconsideration responding to the non-final Office Action dated October 02, 2000 (Paper No. 3), the period for reply to which extends through March 02, 2001, by a request for a two-month extension-of-time submitted herewith.

2. Additional papers enclosed:

- Request for Approval of Drawing Change
- Drawings: Formal Informal (Correction)
- Information Disclosure Statement
- Form PTO-1449, reference(s) included
- Citations
- Declaration of Biological Deposit
- Submission of "Sequence Listing", computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

3. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

- [] Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.
- [X] Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

Total Months <u>Requested</u>	Fee for <u>Extension</u>	[Fee for Small Entity]
[] one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
[X] two months	\$ 390.00	\$195.00
[] three months	\$ 890.00	\$445.00
[] four months	\$1,390.00	\$695.00

Extension of time fee due with this request: \$ 390.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

- [] An extension for ___ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

4. Constructive Petition

- [X] **EXCEPT** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

5. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	at Rate of	Total Fees
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	23	minus	23	0	x \$18 each=	+ \$ 0
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	3	minus	3	0	x \$80 each=	+ \$0
[] First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s)					\$270.00	+ \$ 0
SUB-TOTAL =						\$
Reduction by $\frac{1}{2}$ for filing by a small entity						- \$ 0
TOTAL FEE =						\$0

6. Fee Payment

- [X] One Check #109704 in the amount of **\$390.00** for a two-month extension of time.
- [] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0310 in the amount of. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional extension of time fee or additional fee for claims due to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated October 02, 2000 (Paper no. 3) the period for reply being extended to March 02, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 6, 20 and 21 as follows.

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1. (Amended) A fuel injector having a fuel inlet, a fuel outlet, and a fuel passageway extending from the fuel inlet to the fuel outlet along a longitudinal axis, the fuel injector comprising:
a body having an inlet portion, an outlet portion, a neck portion disposed between the inlet portion and the outlet portion, the neck portion including a cylindrical annulus that provides